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Group Art Unit 2834

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

**DAVID W. ALBRECHT**

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For: **FLUX LEAKAGE BARRIER IN  
FLUID BEARING FOR DISK  
DRIVE**

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